



Dynamic Forests for Birds and Wildlife in the Great Lakes

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Objective

To introduce the dynamic forest concept in the Great Lakes region; discuss the benefits of active forest management for forest health, wildlife, and birds, and to share information on cost share funding for private landowner projects in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan.

Intended audience: Consulting foresters, forestry workers, natural resource managers, landowners, hunters, bird watchers

The webinars in this 3-part series qualify for Continuing Education Credits from:

- Society of American Foresters (1 credit per each 1-hour webinar)
- The Wildlife Society (1 credit per each 1-hour webinar)

Agenda:

Thursday, February 16th, 6 – 7 p.m. Central Time / 7 – 8 p.m. Eastern Time

Great Lakes Dynamic Forests

1. Introduction to webinar series and American Bird Conservancy staff
Presenters: Linnea Rowse, Duane Fogard, Jack Haben, Michael Paling, and Pat Weber
2. Brief history of disturbance in northern Minnesota and Wisconsin forests
Presenter: Duane Fogard, Private Lands Forester, American Bird Conservancy
3. Diversifying landscape structure through sustainable and ecological forestry practices
Presenter: Jeff Larkin, Professor/Forest Bird Habitat Advisor, Indiana University of Pennsylvania and American Bird Conservancy

Thursday, March 16th, 6 – 7 p.m. Central Time / 7 – 8 p.m. Eastern Time

Benefits of forest disturbance and early successional habitat for deer and other wildlife

1. Benefiting other wildlife with dynamic forests
Presenter: Pat Weber, Wildlife Habitat Specialist, American Bird Conservancy
2. The benefits of early successional habitat for white-tailed deer
Presenter: Haley Frater, Wisconsin Deer Management Assistance Program

Thursday, March 30th, 6 – 7 p.m. Central Time / 7 – 8 p.m. Eastern Time

Regional Conservation Partnership Program: Improving Forest Habitat for Wildlife Resources in MN, WI, and MI

1. What can RCPP do for you as a land manager, consulting forester, or landowner? Opportunities for private lands dynamic forest management
Presenters: Michael Paling and Jack Haben, American Bird Conservancy
2. Panel discussion: How to get started with private lands management
Panelists: Tom Gervais, Natural Resources Conservation Service – Minnesota
Nick Besasie, Natural Resources Conservation Service – Wisconsin
Misa Cady, Natural Resources Conservation Service – Michigan
Pat Weber, American Bird Conservancy
Duane Fogard, American Bird Conservancy
Michael Paling, American Bird Conservancy